GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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POLICE VERIFICATION FOR PASSPORT
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Police enquiry is conducted for issuing passports to the applicants and no passport is issued till the verification of facts contained in the application is completed;

(b) if so, the reasons for issuing thousands of fake passports each year in the country;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take any action to avoid lapses committed on the part of Police in the verification; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): Police Verification is carried out by the State Police authorities before issuance of passports except in certain exempted categories.

(b): Government does not issue any fake passport. A few cases of passports having been obtained fraudulently or on the basis of fake document have come to the notice of the Government.

(c) & (d): Necessary action is taken by the State authorities concerned.